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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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December 19, 2022

Mike Neller, Director
Remediation and Redevelopment Division
State of Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE)
525 West Allegan Street
P.O. Box 30473
Lansing, Michigan 48909-7973

RE: Area 4 Revised OU5 Area 4 Removal Work Plan Draft, Revision 1; Allied Paper,
Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site,

Dear Mr. Neller:

Thank you for your letter dated December 12, 2022, regarding the above-referenced revised removal work plan submitted by NCR Corporation (NCR) on August 15, 2022. As I mentioned in my voice mail on December 15, 2022, EPA intends to disapprove the revised removal work plan.

I am also writing this letter to ensure you that EPA will continue to consult EGLE as we receive information and resubmission of the work plan by NCR. Further, EPA will respond in writing to the comments attached to your December 12, 2022 letter as well as the comments EGLE provided to EPA on September 28, 2022. Please note however that EPA does not establish an administrative record for its approval or disapproval of a work plan, but as appropriate will include your letters and EPA's responses thereto to the site file and administrative record for any future Agency actions related to Area 4 of the Site.

I assure you that my staff will continue to communicate, collaborate, share information, and consult with your staff in reviewing subsequent submissions from NCR.

Please feel free to contact me directly, or have your staff contact Paul Ruesch of my staff at (312) 919-4382 or ruesch.paul@epa.gov if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

X  for

Douglas Ballotti, Director
Superfund & Emergency Management Division
Signed by: JAIME BROWN

cc: Mark Mills, Michigan DNR